

Please amend the application as follows:

In the Claims

Please amend the following claims:

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1. A composition comprising an aqueous dispersion comprising at least one polyurethane-urea polymer that is functionalized with at least one hydrolyzed or hydrolyzable silyl group, wherein the composition is in the form of a cosmetic article or composition that is capable of forming a film when applied to mammalian skin, hair or nails, and when said cosmetic application is a hair care composition, said hair care composition does not have a reshaping effect.

Please cancel claims 9 and 10 and substitute therefor new claims 13 and 14 as follows:

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13. A composition in the form of an aqueous dispersion comprising at least one polyurethane-urea polymer that is functionalized with at least one hydrolyzed or hydrolyzable silyl group, wherein said composition is used in cosmetic application, and when said cosmetic application is a hair care composition, said hair care composition does not have a reshaping effect;

wherein said composition comprises the reaction product of:

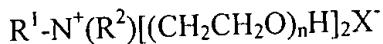
(a) at least one isocyanate terminated polyurethane-urea prepolymer comprising the reaction product of (i) at least one polyisocyanate, and (ii) at least one polyol;

(b) at least one polyfunctional chain extender;

(c) at least one silyl containing component; and

(d) at least one hydrophilic component; and

wherein said hydrophilic component is a cationic compound having the following structure:



wherein R^1 is C_1 to C_{18} alkyl or C_6 to C_{18} aryl or aralkyl optionally substituted in and/or on the chain by N, O, S and combinations thereof;

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 R^2 is hydrogen or C_1 to C_{18} alkyl;

n is an integer from about 1 to 200; and

X is halogen, sulfate, methosulfate, ethosulfate, acetate, carbonate, or phosphate.

14. A composition in the form of an aqueous dispersion comprising at least one polyurethane-urea polymer that is functionalized with at least one hydrolyzed or hydrolyzable silyl group, wherein said composition is used in cosmetic application, and when said cosmetic application is a hair care composition, said hair care composition does not have a reshaping effect;

wherein said composition comprises the reaction product of:

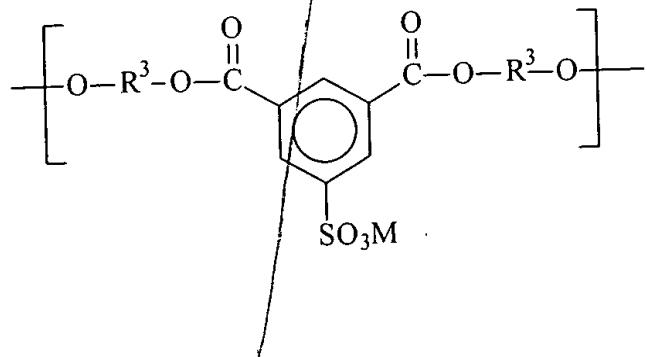
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(b) at least one polyfunctional chain extender;

(c) at least one silyl containing component; and

(d) at least one hydrophilic component; and

wherein said hydrophilic component is a compound having the following structure:



wherein each R^3 is independently a divalent aliphatic group having an average molecular weight of 200 to 600 comprising ether or ester functional groups selected from the group consisting of:

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- $CH_2CH_2-(OCH_2CH_2)_n-$,
- $CH(CH_3)CH_2-(OCH(CH_3)CH_2)_n-$,
-($CH_2)_4-(O(CH_2)_4)_n-$,
-($CH_2)_mCO-[O(CH_2)_mCO]_n-$ groups; and
mixtures thereof;

where m is an integer from about 2 to 5;

n is an integer from about 2 to 15; and

M is a cation selected from the group consisting of Na, H, K; and Li, or a primary, secondary, tertiary, or quaternary ammonium cation and mixtures thereof.

A version marked up to show changes made to the claim(s) relative to the previous version of the claim(s) is attached.

Remarks

Applicants amend claim 1 to more completely claim the present invention. The claim amendments are offered free of any intent to narrow the scope of what Applicants' consider as their invention. Claims 9 and 10 are objected as being dependent on a rejected base claim but are otherwise indicated as allowable. Consequently, these claims are cancelled in favor of new claims 13 and 14 to recast former claims 9 and 10 in independent form. Support for the various amendments may be found throughout the specification as filed, including the documents and references cited and incorporated therein.